Across Arizona LSTA Funds Help Build Strong Communities

The Library Services and Technology Act, a part of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, is the only federal grant program specifically for libraries. The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records administers these funds. providing Arizona with the flexibility to develop innovative programs, to support statewide initiatives, and to reach out to local, urban, rural, academic and tribal libraries in all fifteen of Arizona's counties.

LSTA Funds Generate State and Local Resources

2004 LSTA Award: \$2,946,156

\$2,136,043 in state funds¹ Matched by \$1,157,111 in local funds¹ And

Throughout the State, LSTA Funds

- Link Arizona libraries through a computer network, providing access to databases and interlibrary loans.
- Nurture partnerships, including Arizona Convocation, bringing together libraries, museums and archives.
- Provide hundreds of professional training opportunities for Arizona library staff members.
- Assure that all Arizonans benefit from library resources, including those with visual disabilities.

In 2004, LSTA Helped Fund These **Special Programs in Arizona:**

- **AZNET** networks public, academic and special libraries through a database across the state to facilitate interlibrary loans.
- **EqualAccess** provides training for 15 Arizona libraries in working with youth, seniors and health-related materials.
- **Economic Development Information** Centers in 27 Arizona libraries provide business and economic development assistance.
- **Arizona Reading Program** distributes materials for summer reading and other youth reading programs across the state. This year's theme is "Dragons, Dreams, and Daring Deeds".
- Family Place provides libraries with materials and resources to offer programming for toddlers and their care givers, emphasizing child development.
- Planning for Results provides facilitators and other tools to help libraries and museums create plans for their institutions.
- OneBookAZ encourages libraries and other literature-based organizations to work together to celebrate reading and discussion.
- The School of Information Resources and Library Science at the University of Arizona, the only library school in the state, receives LSTA funds to help train future librarians.
- Library Institute allows non-degreed library leaders to spend a week studying at the University of Arizona each summer.

¹ From FY 2003